



# Modern Roundabouts

## Understanding Your Design Vehicle

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# The Design Challenge

- Speed Control, Especially Smaller Vehicles
- Accommodate Large Trucks
- Don't Impact Response Time For Emergency Vehicles
- Safe Transitions For Bicycles
- Safe Crossings For Pedestrians
- ADA Considerations



## Multiple Design Vehicles



### Can The Design Accommodate:

Passenger Vehicles and Large Vehicles, Emergency Vehicles, Pedestrians, Bicycles, Strollers, Wheelchairs, Groups etc...

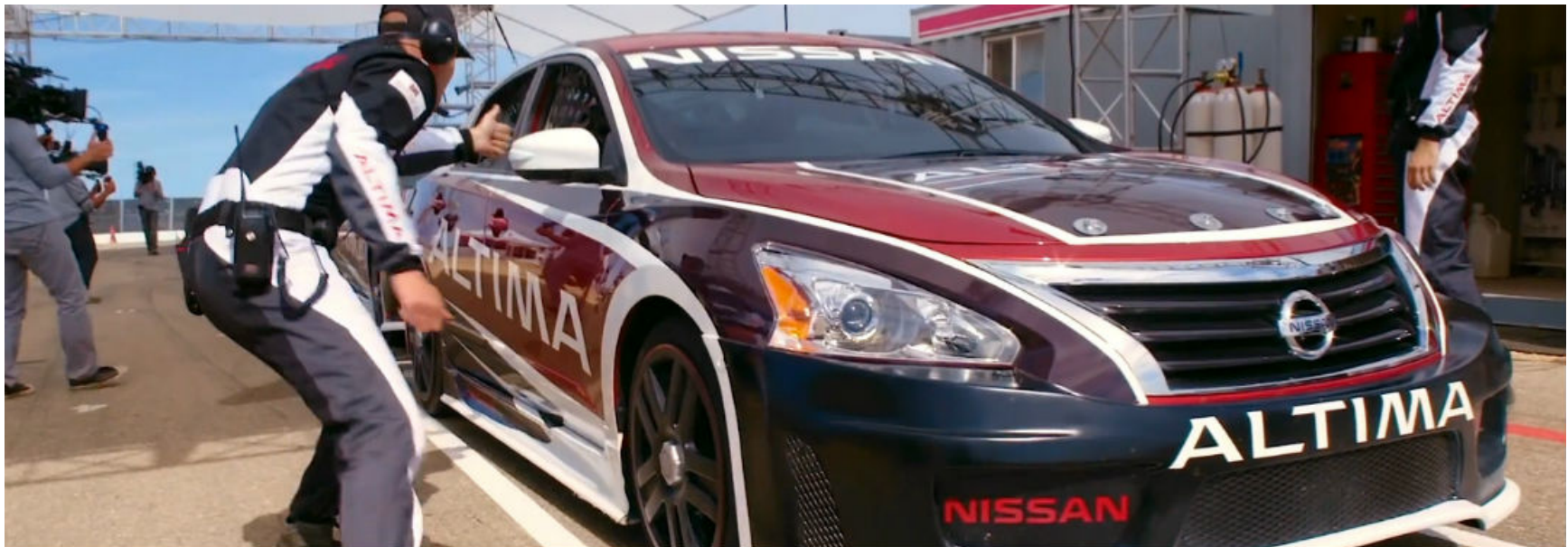


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# Passenger Vehicles

- Recent Car Advertisements Compare To Race Cars



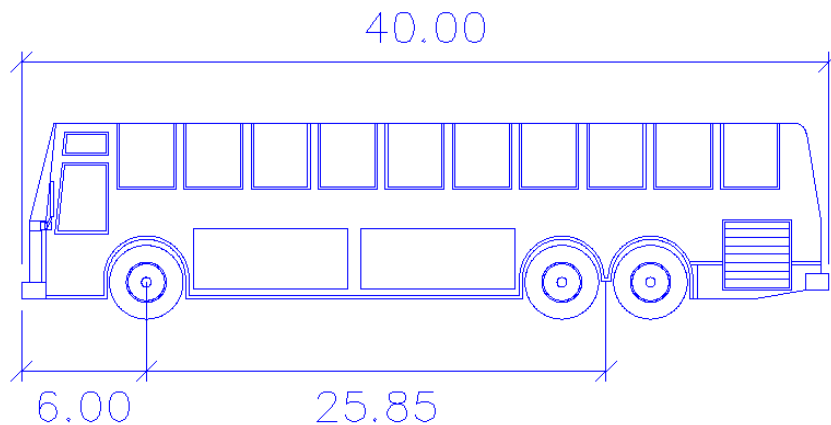
- Importance Of Speed Control For Smaller Vehicles



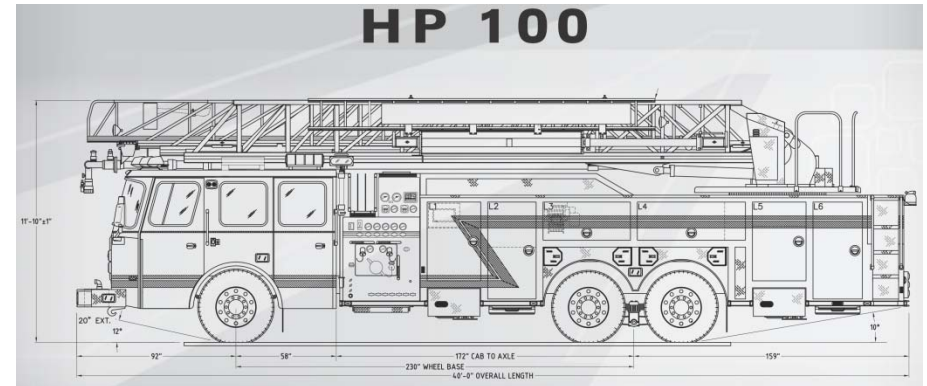
# Emergency Vehicles

- Consult With Emergency Personnel
- Manufacturer Specifications
- May Need A Custom AutoTurn Template

# Emergency Vehicles



**AutoTURN Bus-40**  
Wheelbase = 26'



**E-One HP 100**  
Wheelbase = 19'

**Both Vehicles Are 40' Overall Length**

Resource: <http://www.e-one.com/> & AutoTURN

# Emergency Vehicles



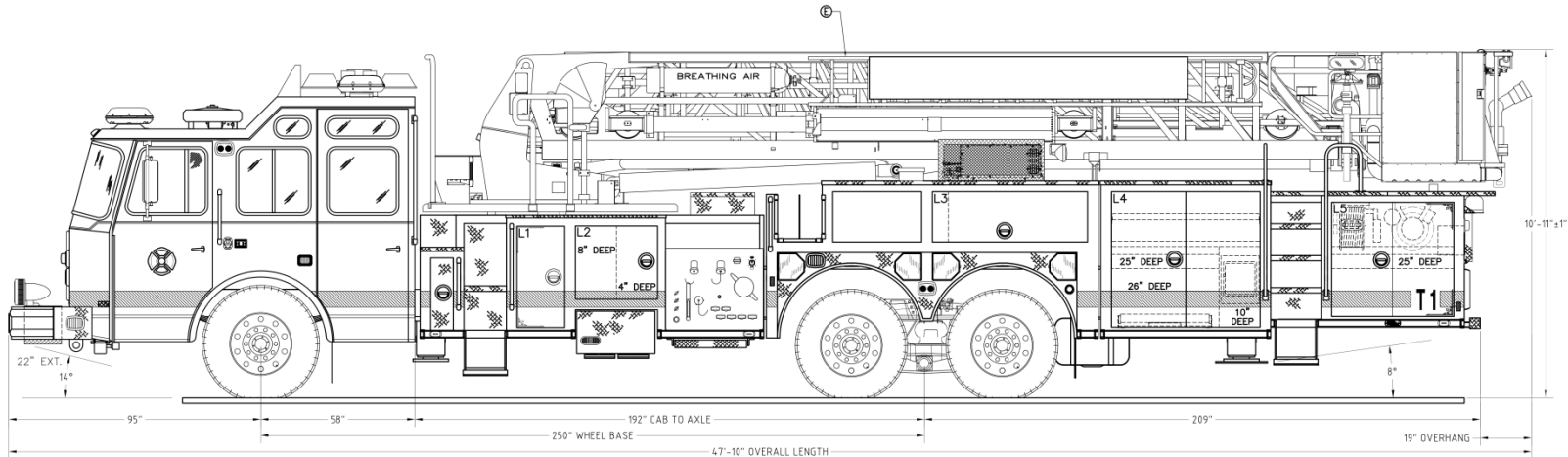
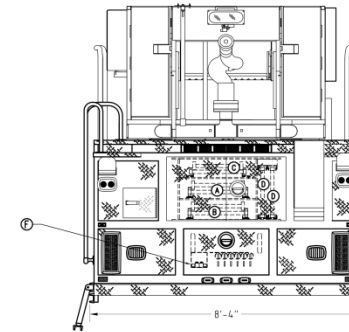
## HP95 Mid Mount

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L193 AERIAL BODY  
H713 CYCLONE II CHASSIS  
L397 AERIAL LADDER

270 GALLON WATER TANK 2000 G.P.M. HALE 8PGR PUMP ALL ALUMINUM CONSTRUCTION			HOSE/LOAD: 300' OF 5" HI VOL REEL HOSE	
COMPT.	OPENING	INTERIOR DIMENSION		
L1	18W 38H	OIL RESEVOIR		
L2	31W 27H	31W 27H	NOTED	
L3	58W 19H	58W 19H	25D	
L4	56W 51H	56W 20H	25D UPPER	
L5	46W 43H	46W 27H	NOTED LOWER	
R1	18W 38H	18W 38H	20D	
R2	31W 27H	31W 27H	NOTED	
R3	58W 19H	58W 19H	20D	
R4	56W 51H	56W 28H	NOTED LOWER	
R5	19W 43H	19W 18H	10D UPPER	
R6	46W 43H	46W 18H	10D LOWER	

GROUND LADDERS			
ITEM	LADDER LENGTH	MODEL NUMBER	QTY
A	35' 2-SECT.	PEL-35	1
B	28' 2-SECT.	PEL-28	1
C	24' 2-SECT.	PEL-24	1
D	16' ROOF	PRL-16	2
E	14' ROOF	PRL-14	1 ON AERIAL
F	10' FOLDING	FL-10	1



**48' Overall Length**  
**28' Wheel Base**

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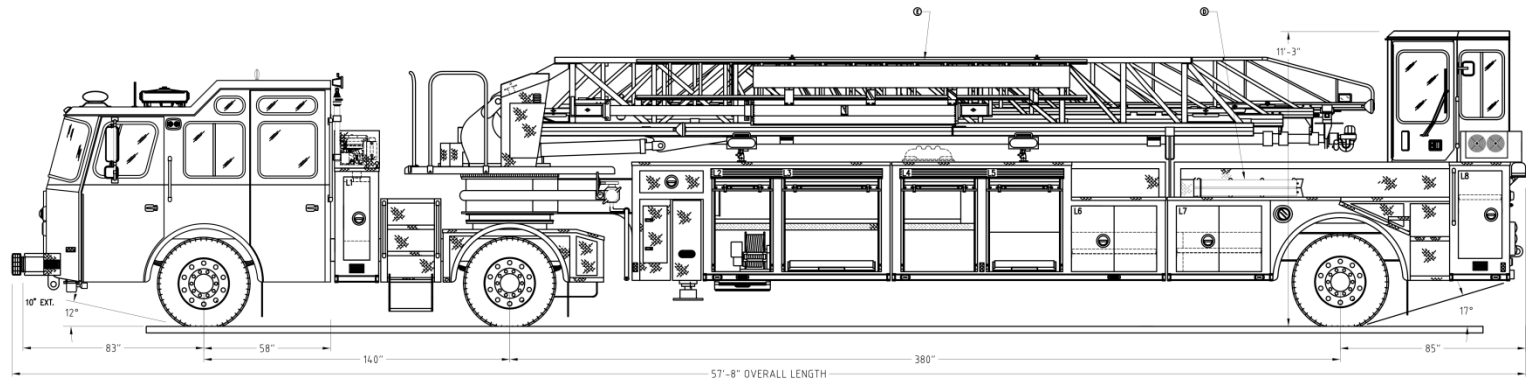
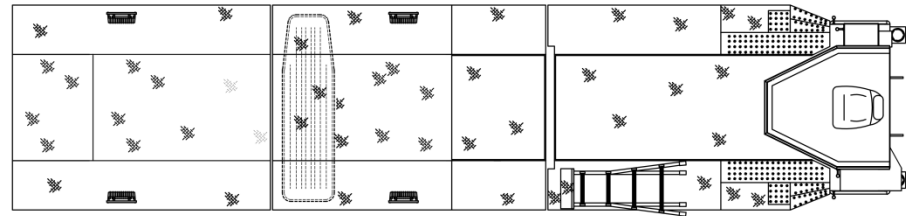
## HP100 Super Tiller

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K107 TILLER BODY  
H584 CYCLONE II CHASSIS  
K303 HP100 AERIAL LADDER  
ALL ALUMINUM CONSTRUCTION

COMPT.	OPENING	INTERIOR DIMENSION			
L1/R1	12W	38H	12W	38H	20D
L2/R2	26W	38H	26W	38H	20D
L3/R3	43W	38H	43W	38H	20D
L4/R4	33W	38H	33W	38H	20D
L5/R5	33W	38H	33W	38H	20D
L6/R6	39W	30H	39W	30H	20D
L7/R7	39W	30H	39W	30H	20D
L8/R8	20W	40H	20W	40H	14D
B1	20W	14H	20W	14H	16D

GROUND LADDERS			
ITEM	LADDER LENGTH	MODEL NUMBER	QTY
A	35' 2-SECT.	REL-35	2
B	28' 2-SECT.	REL-28	1
C	20' ROOF	PRL-20	1
D	17' LITTLE GIANT	MODEL 17	1
E	18' ROOF	PRL-18	2 (1) ON AERIAL
F	14' ROOF	PRL-14	1
G	10' FOLDING	FL-10	1



Front & Rear Steering – 58' Overall Length  
32' Wheel Base

Resource: <http://www.e-one.com/>

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# Emergency Vehicles



Other Emergency Vehicle Manufactures:

Pierce

Freightliner – Builds Busses and Fire Trucks

American LaFrance

Resource:

<http://www.piercemfg.com/en/Home.aspx>

<http://www.freightlinertrucks.com/>

<http://americanlafrance.com/>



# Large Trucks



- Consider Trailer Lengths & Clearances
- Stay In Lane or Take Two Lanes
- Don't Build Obstructions Behind The Apron

# Some Reasons For Truck Accidents In Roundabouts

- Tangent High Speed Approaches (Driver Fails to Reduce Speed)
- Lack Of Deflection
- Sudden Tightening Of Radii Part Way Through The Intersection
- Clear Driver Visibility With Absence Of Approaching Vehicles
- Low Circulating Traffic, No Need To Yield, Faster Entry Speed
- Tight Curb Geometry And Small Circle Diameter
- Moving or Liquid, Partial Load Cargo
- Grading

# A Quick Comparison

## Single Lane Roundabout

- Passenger Vehicle
- Fire Truck
- WB-50 Truck



# Selecting The ICD

Roundabout Configuration	Typical Design Vehicle	Common Inscribed Circle Diameter Range*	
Mini-Roundabout	SU-30 (SU-9)	45 to 90 ft	(14 to 27 m)
Single-Lane Roundabout	B-40 (B-12)	90 to 150 ft	(27 to 46 m)
	WB-50 (WB-15)	105 to 150 ft	(32 to 46 m)
	WB-67 (WB-20)	130 to 180 ft	(40 to 55 m)
Multilane Roundabout (2 lanes)	WB-50 (WB-15)	150 to 220 ft	(46 to 67 m)
	WB-67 (WB-20)	165 to 220 ft	(50 to 67 m)
Multilane Roundabout (3 lanes)	WB-50 (WB-15)	200 to 250 ft	(61 to 76 m)
	WB-67 (WB-20)	220 to 300 ft	(67 to 91 m)

\* Assumes 90° angles between entries and no more than four legs. List of possible design vehicles is not all-inclusive.

## NCHRP REPORT 672

NATIONAL  
COOPERATIVE  
HIGHWAY  
RESEARCH  
PROGRAM

### Roundabouts: An Informational Guide

*Second Edition*

In Cooperation with  
  
U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
Federal Highway  
Administration

## Single-Lane Roundabout

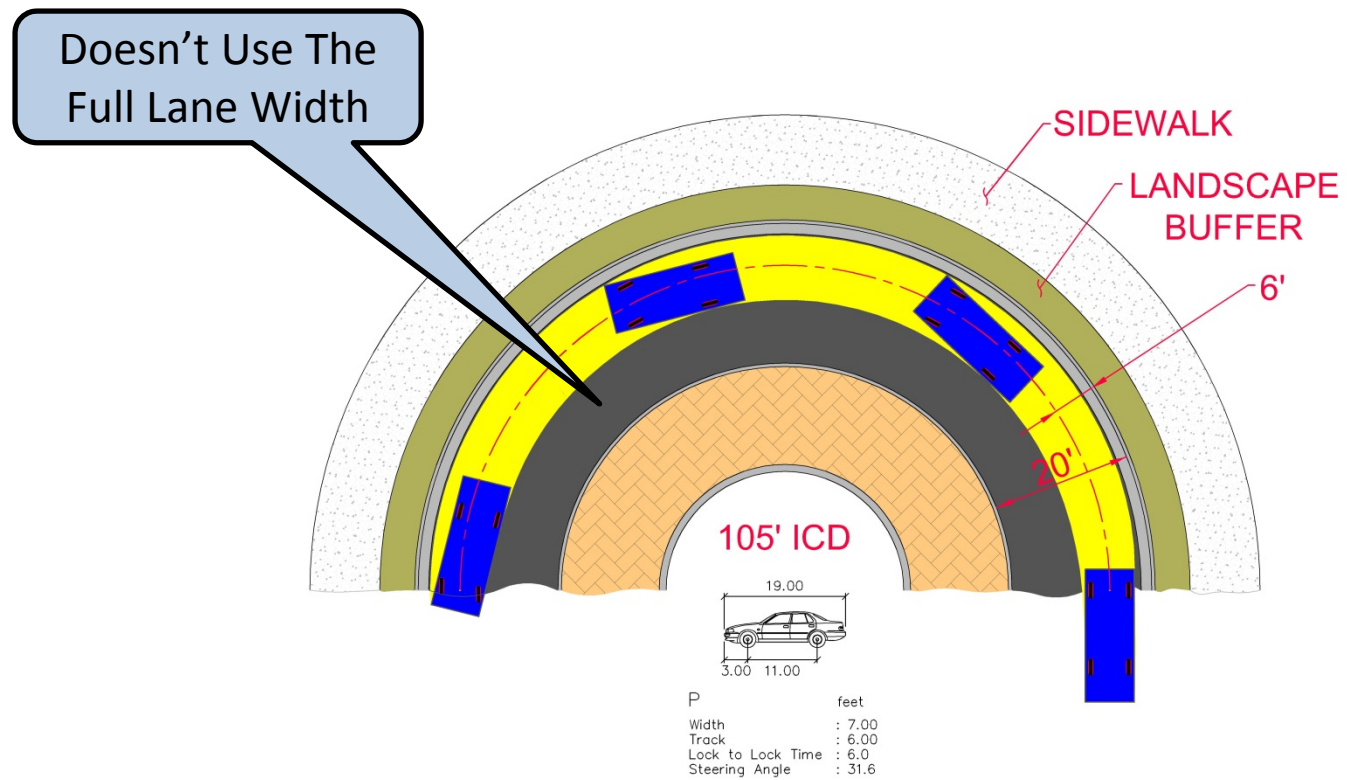
B-40 (B-12)  
WB-50 (WB-15)  
WB-67 (WB-20)

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130 to 180 ft

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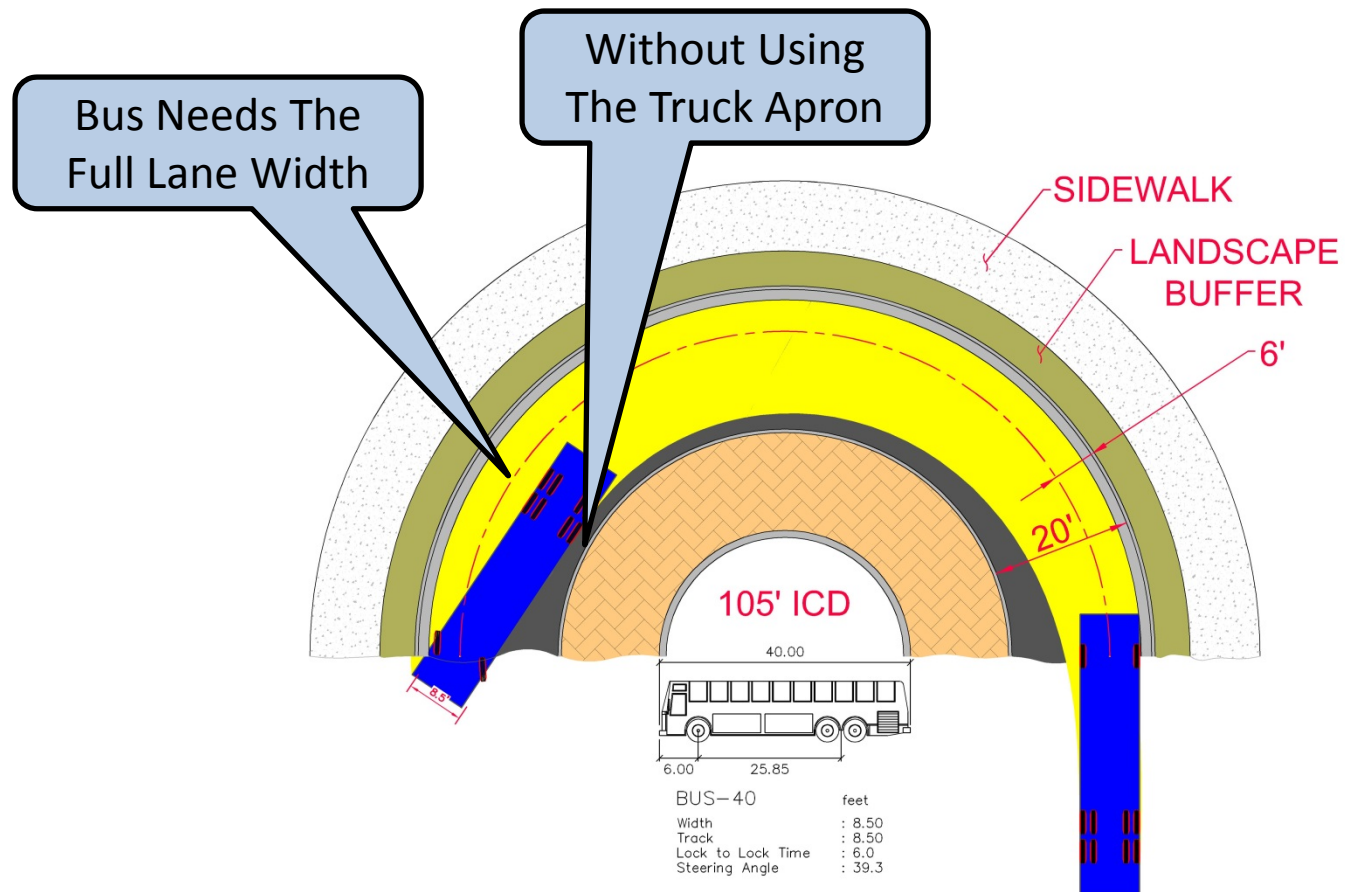
### TYPICAL ICD RANGES

Resource: NCHRP Report 672, Roundabouts: An Informational Guide  
Second Edition



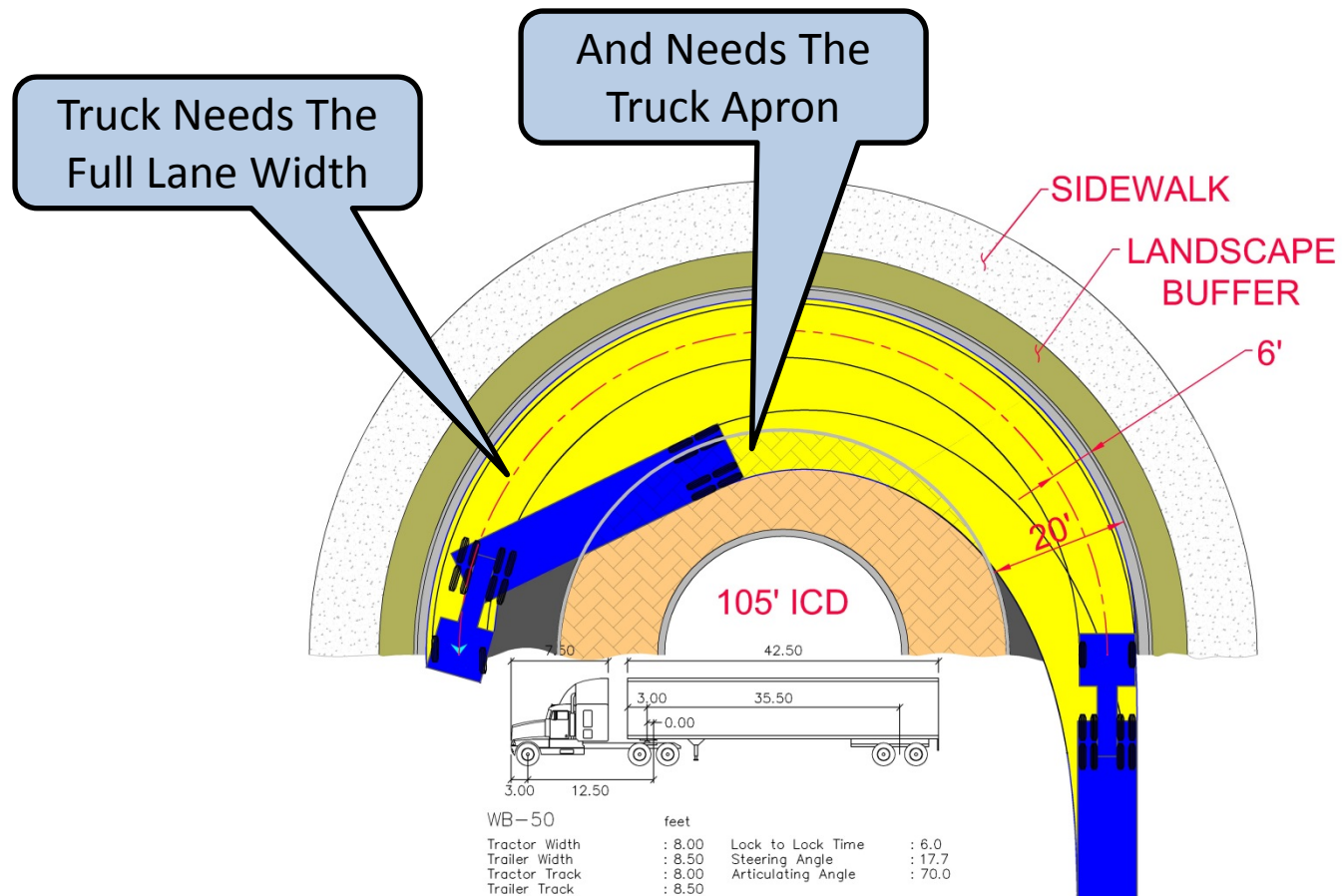
## Passenger Vehicle Simulation Using AutoTURN

By Transoft Solutions



## City Bus Simulation Using AutoTURN

By Transoft Solutions



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## Kansas

Resource: Google Earth

100' ICD

17' Circulating Lane

10' Truck Apron



## Large Truck Crash

Resource: Google



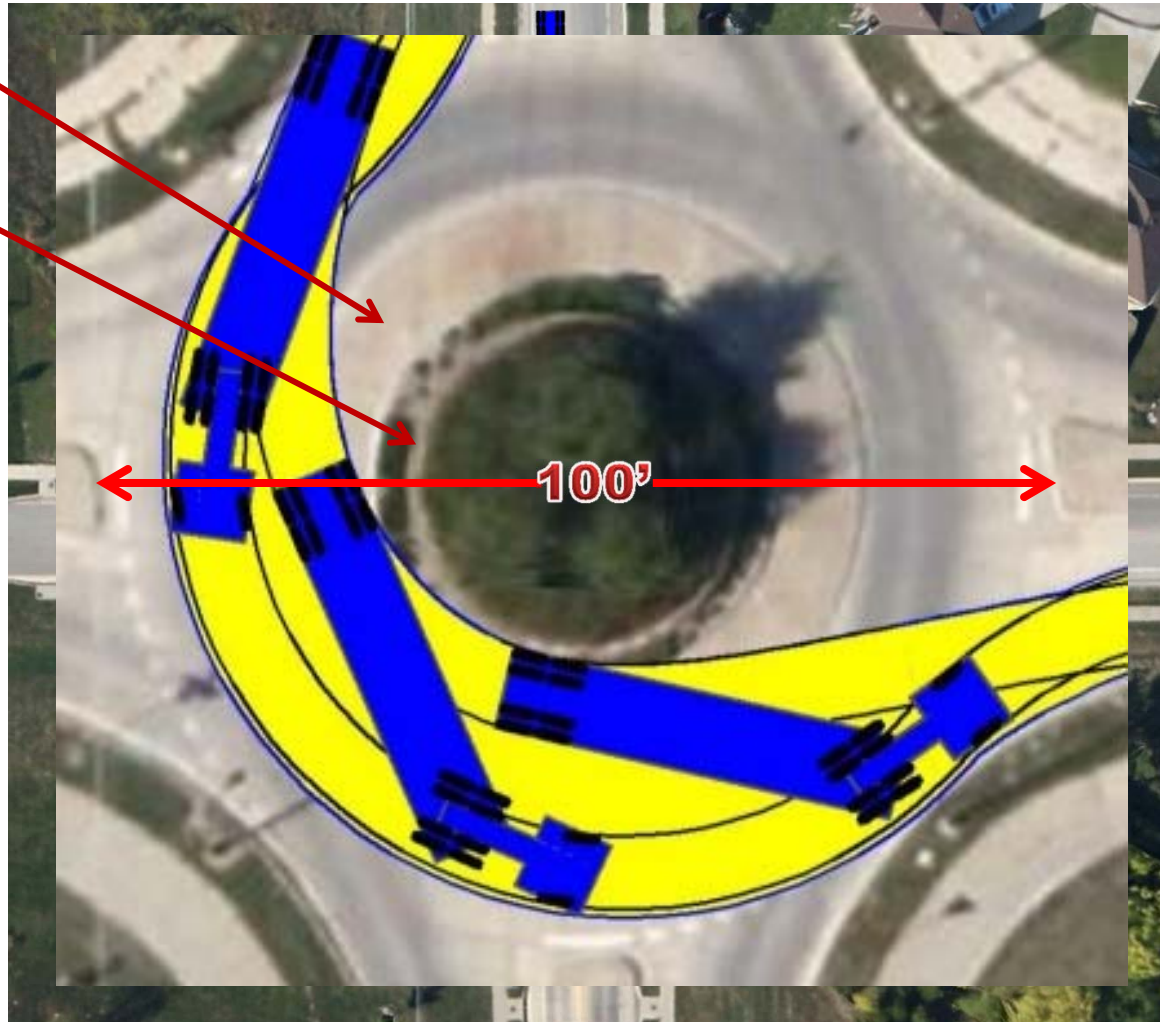
## Large Truck Crash

Resource: Google

TRUCK APRON  
IS TOO SMALL

WALL WAS  
CONSTRUCTED  
WHERE TRUCK  
APRON WAS  
NEEDED

ICD IS TOO  
SMALL FOR  
TRUCKS

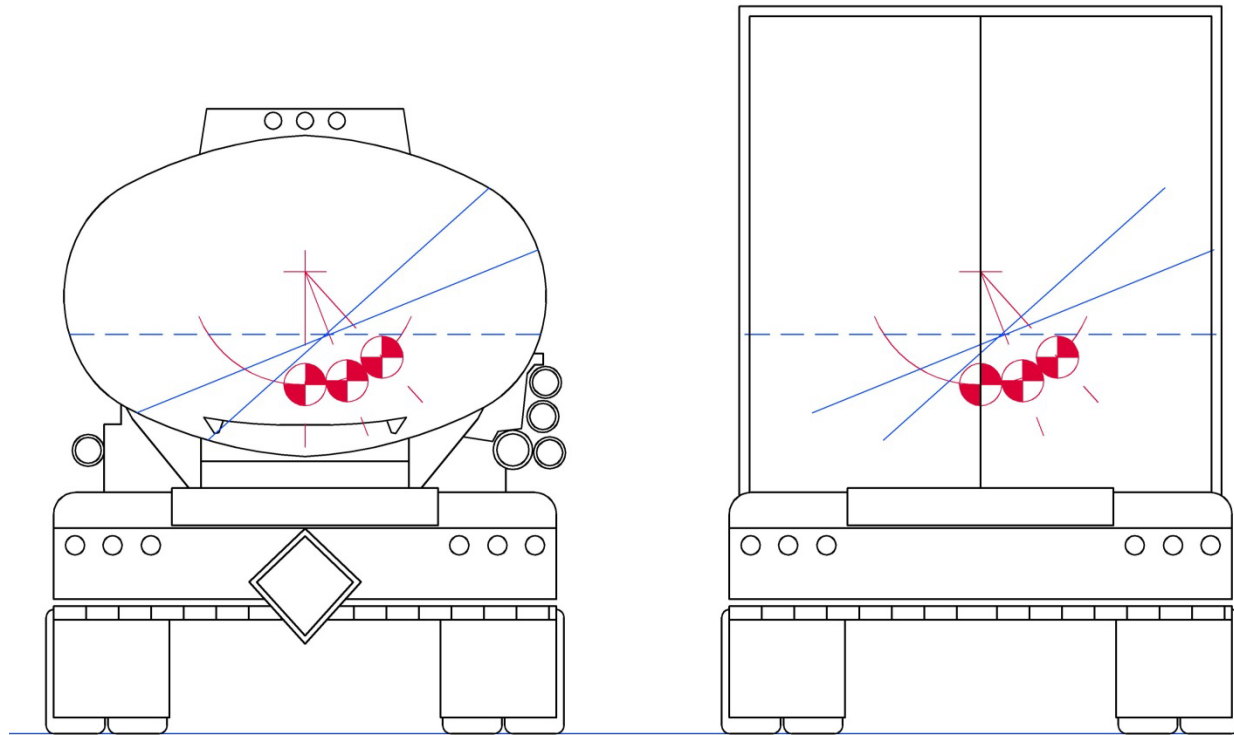


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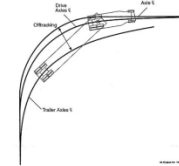
# TRUCKS AND MOVING LOADS



**NCHRP**  
REPORT 505

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Review of Truck Characteristics as  
Factors in Roadway Design



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## Rollover of Heavy Commercial Vehicles

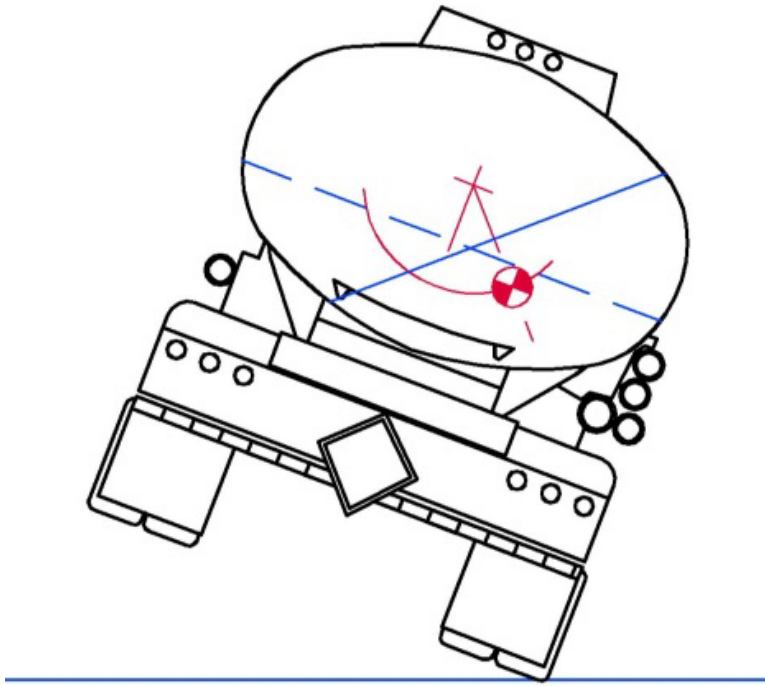
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# Examples Of Moving Cargo

- Bulk Liquid Trailers Partially Filled
- Refrigerated Trailers With Hanging Meat
- Livestock Trailers





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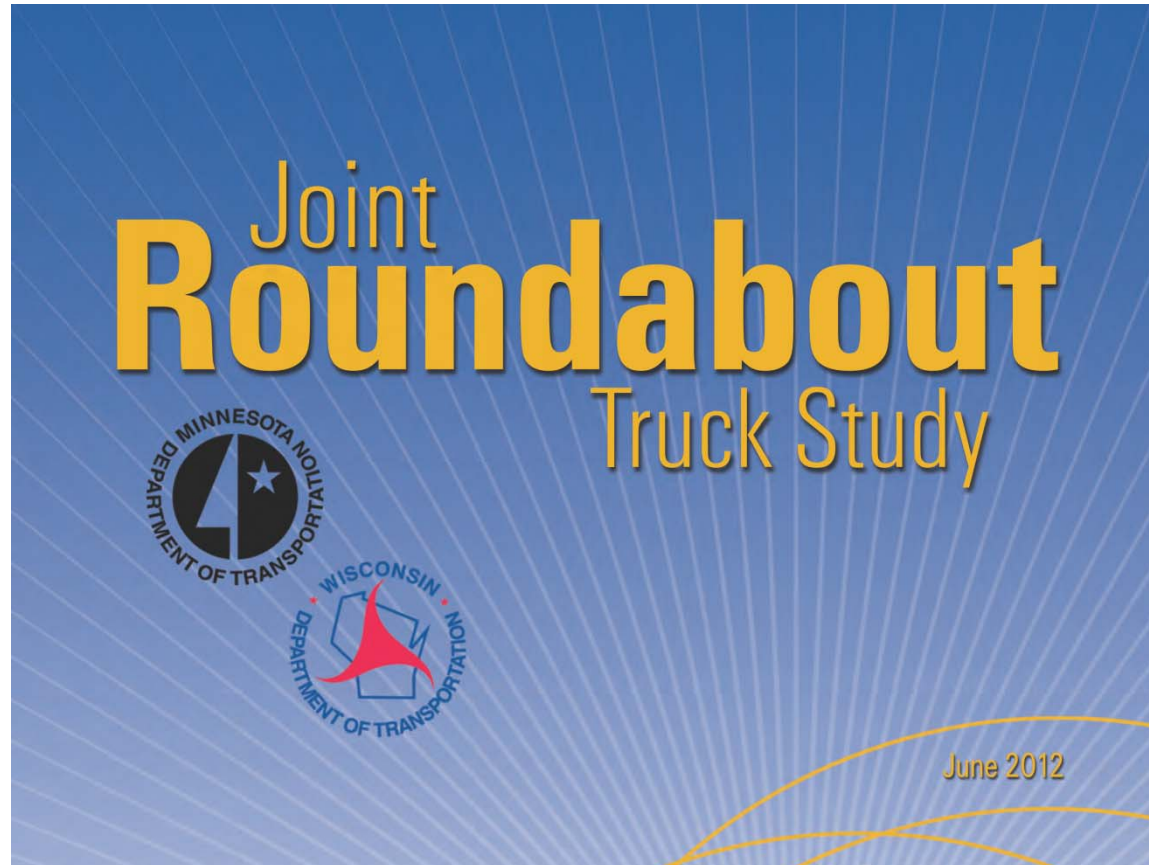
**3D Model – Bulk Liquid Container Trucks**



## 3D Model – Bulk Liquid Container Trucks

### DESIGN MUST

Reduce Speed On The Entry  
Provide Deflection  
Roadway & Truck Apron Grading



Minnesota DOT and Wisconsin DOT Sponsored  
Transportation Engineering and Road Research Alliance (TERRA)

<http://www.terreroadalliance.org/research/factsheets/roundabouttrucks/documents/final.pdf>





**Early Design, Experienced Several Rollovers**



**Designed For Trucks To Stay In Lane**

## Roundabout Comparison

Resource: Google Earth





**Early Design, Experienced Several Rollovers**

140' ICD

LONG TANGENT APPROACH

14' WIDE APPROACH LANES

TWO 16' WIDE CIRCULATING LANES



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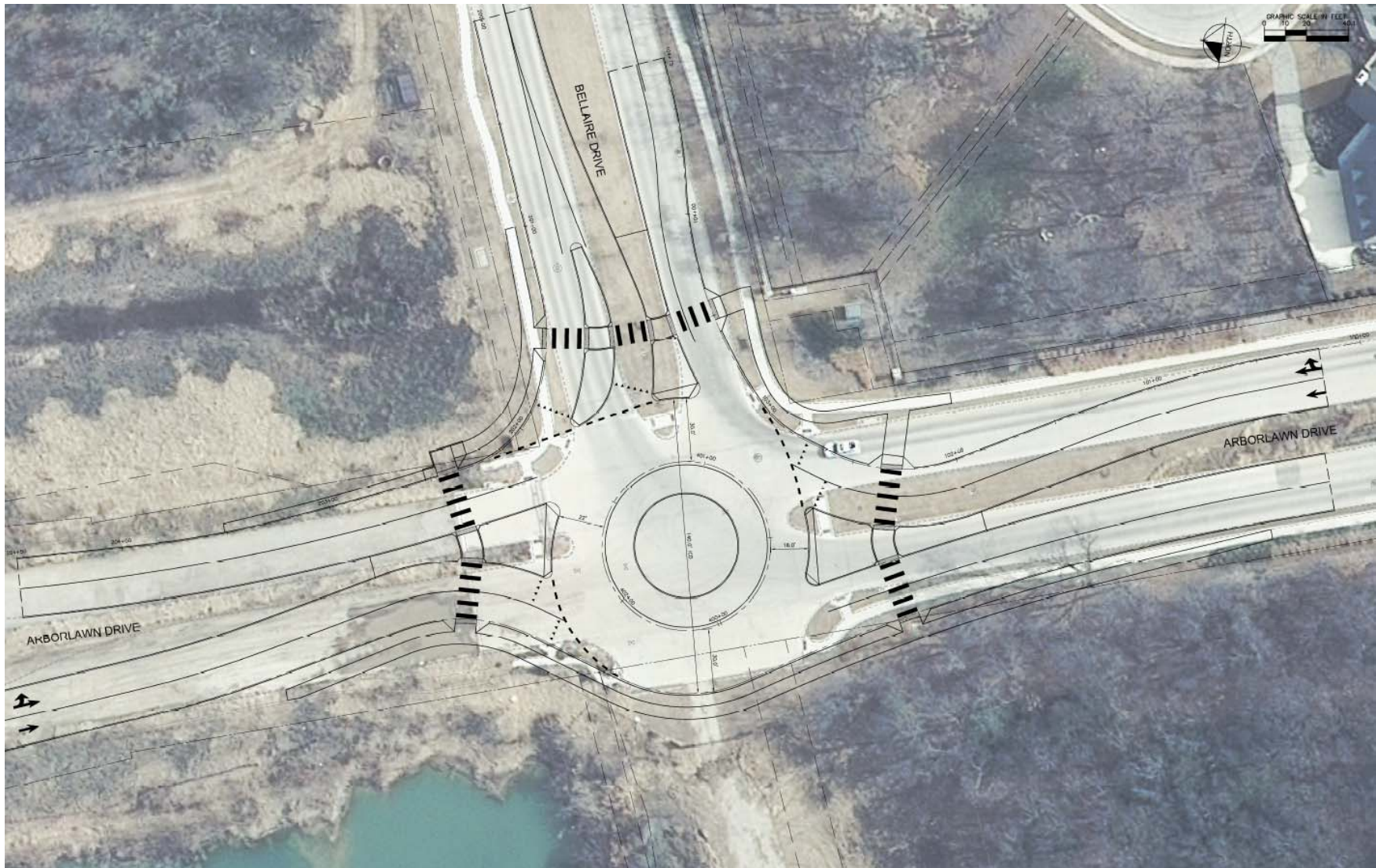
220' ICD

LARGE RADIUS APPROACH

WIDER APPROACH LANES WITH PAINTED GORE

14' AND 20' CIRCULATING LANES





## Fort Worth - Arborlawn Drive and Bellaire Drive

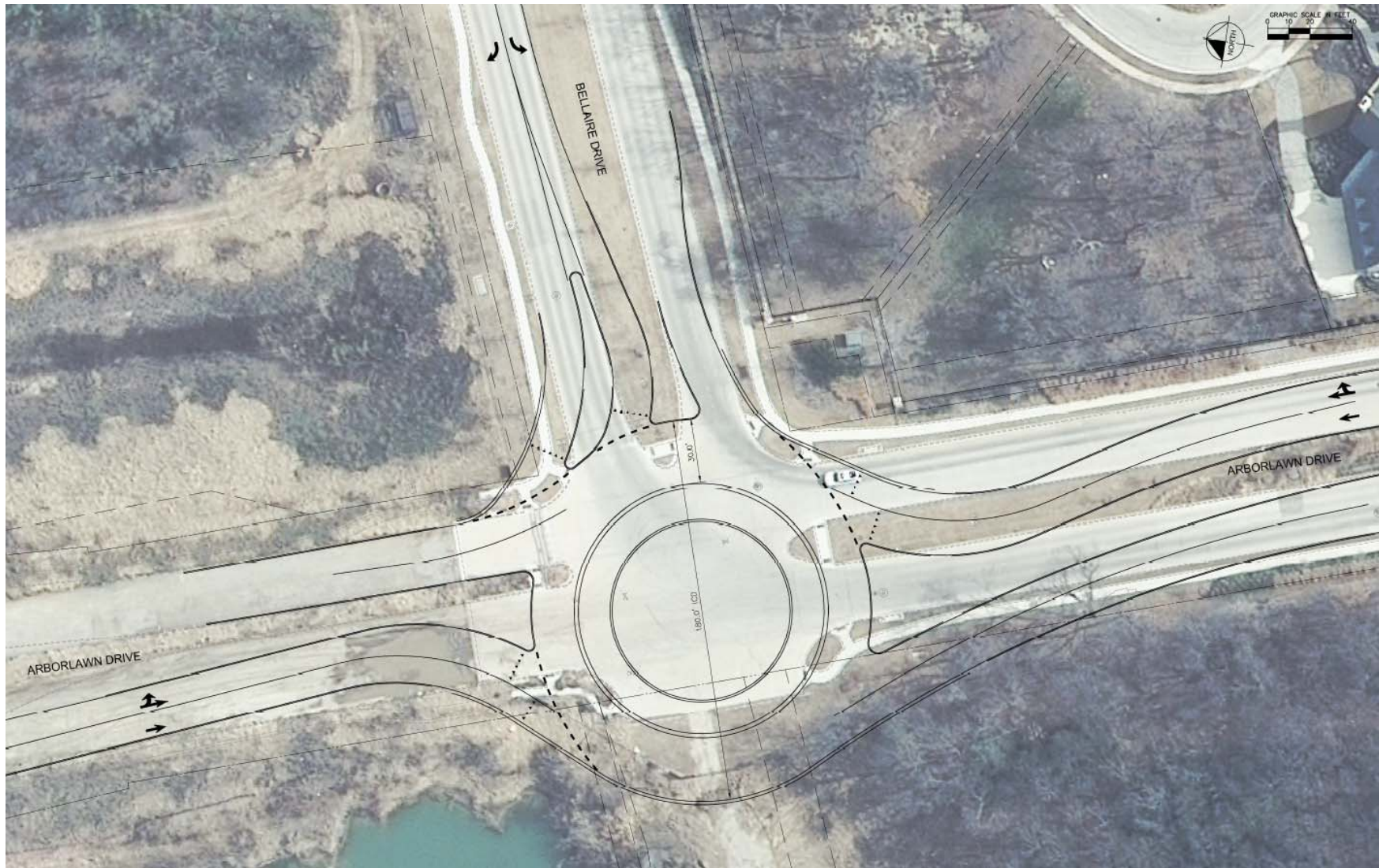
ICD = 140'

Circulating Lanes = 30' and 18'

Entry Lanes = 13' and 14'

WB-50 Needs to Use Both Lanes to Maneuver Through the Roundabout





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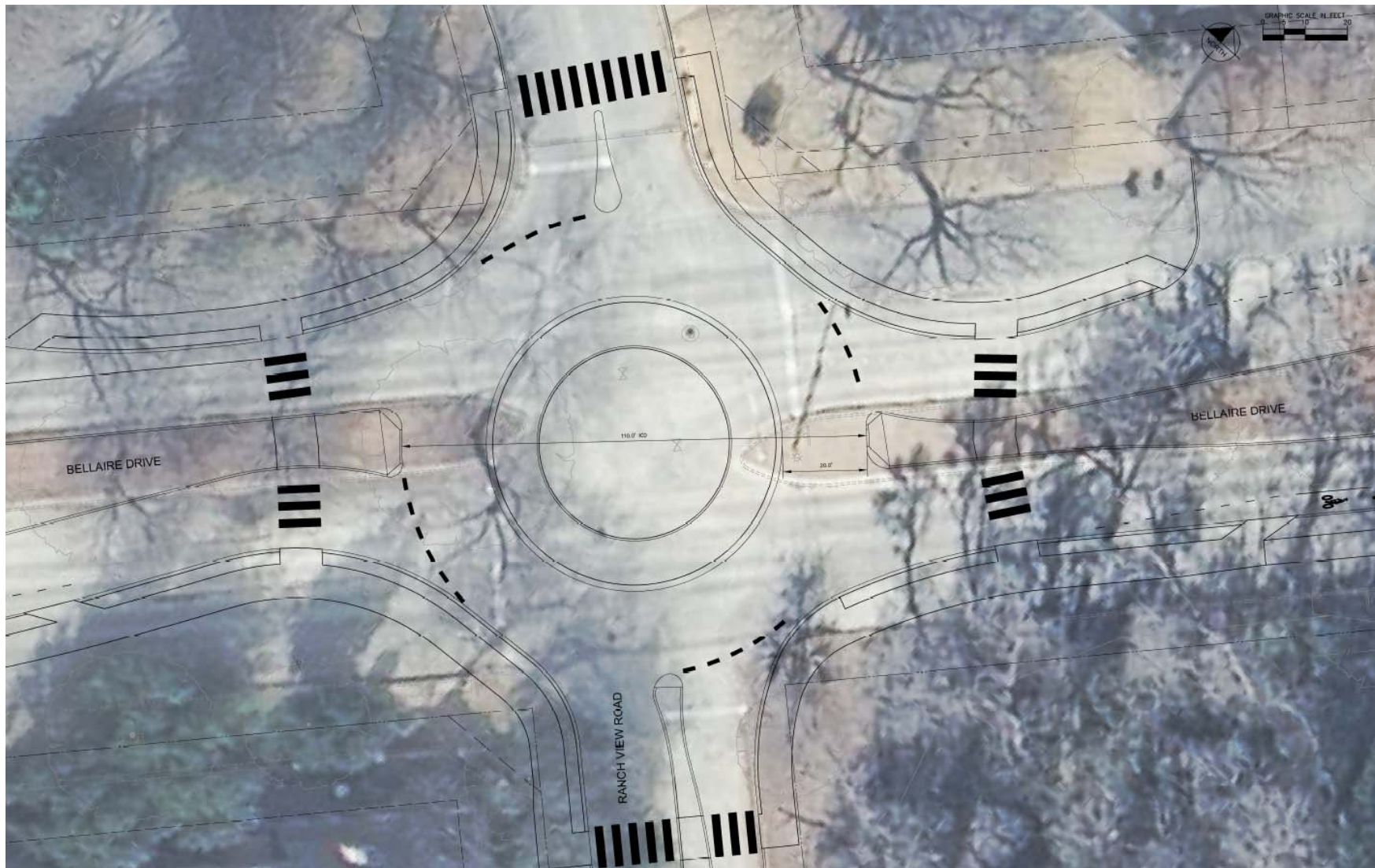
ICD = 180'

Circulating Lanes = 30'

Entry Lanes = 13' and 14'

WB-50 Can Stay In-Lane





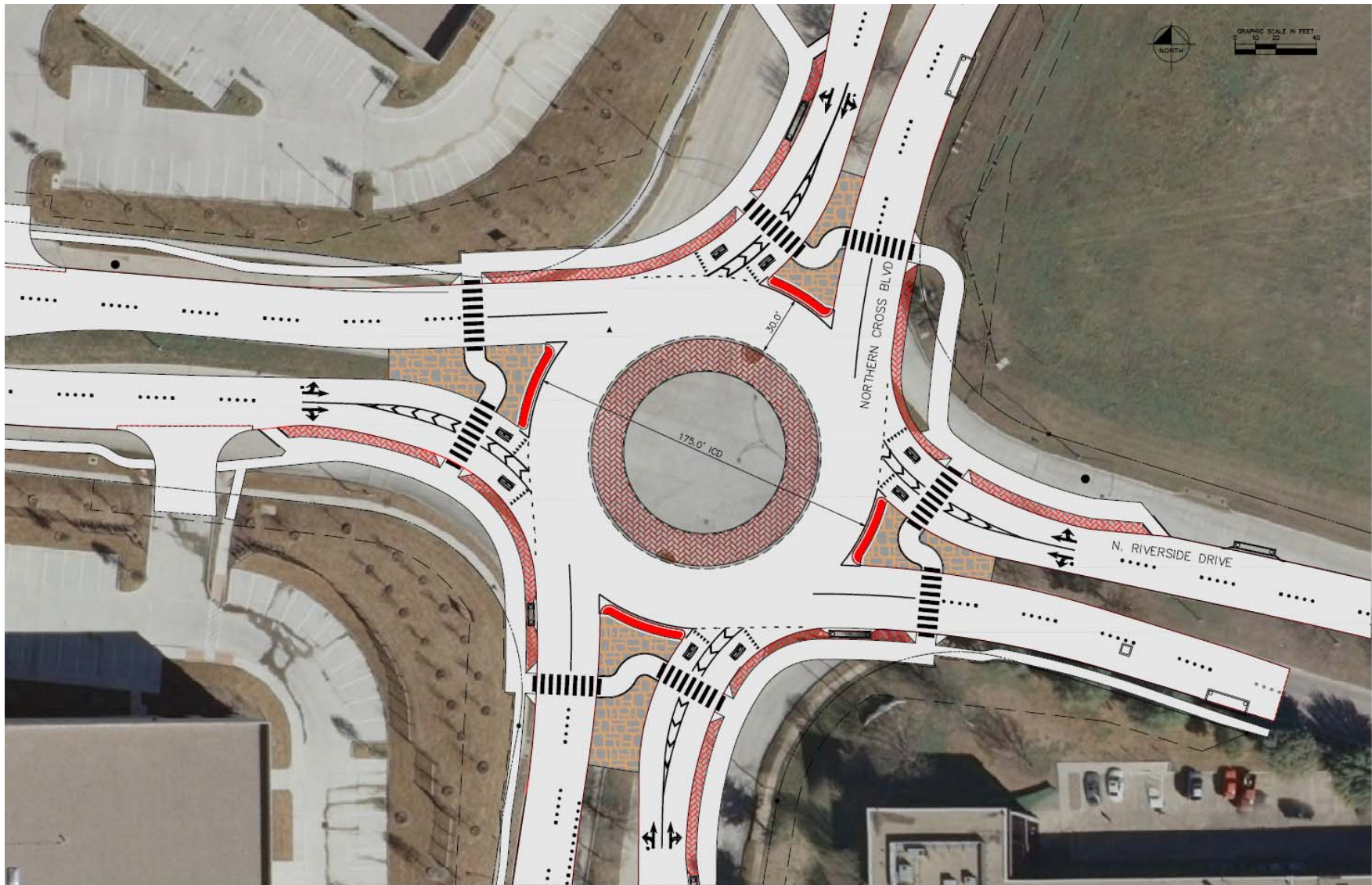
## Fort Worth - Bellaire Drive and Ranch View Road

ICD = 110'

Circulating Lanes = 20'

Fire Truck Can Stay In-Lane





## Fort Worth - N. Riverside Drive and Northern Cross BLVD

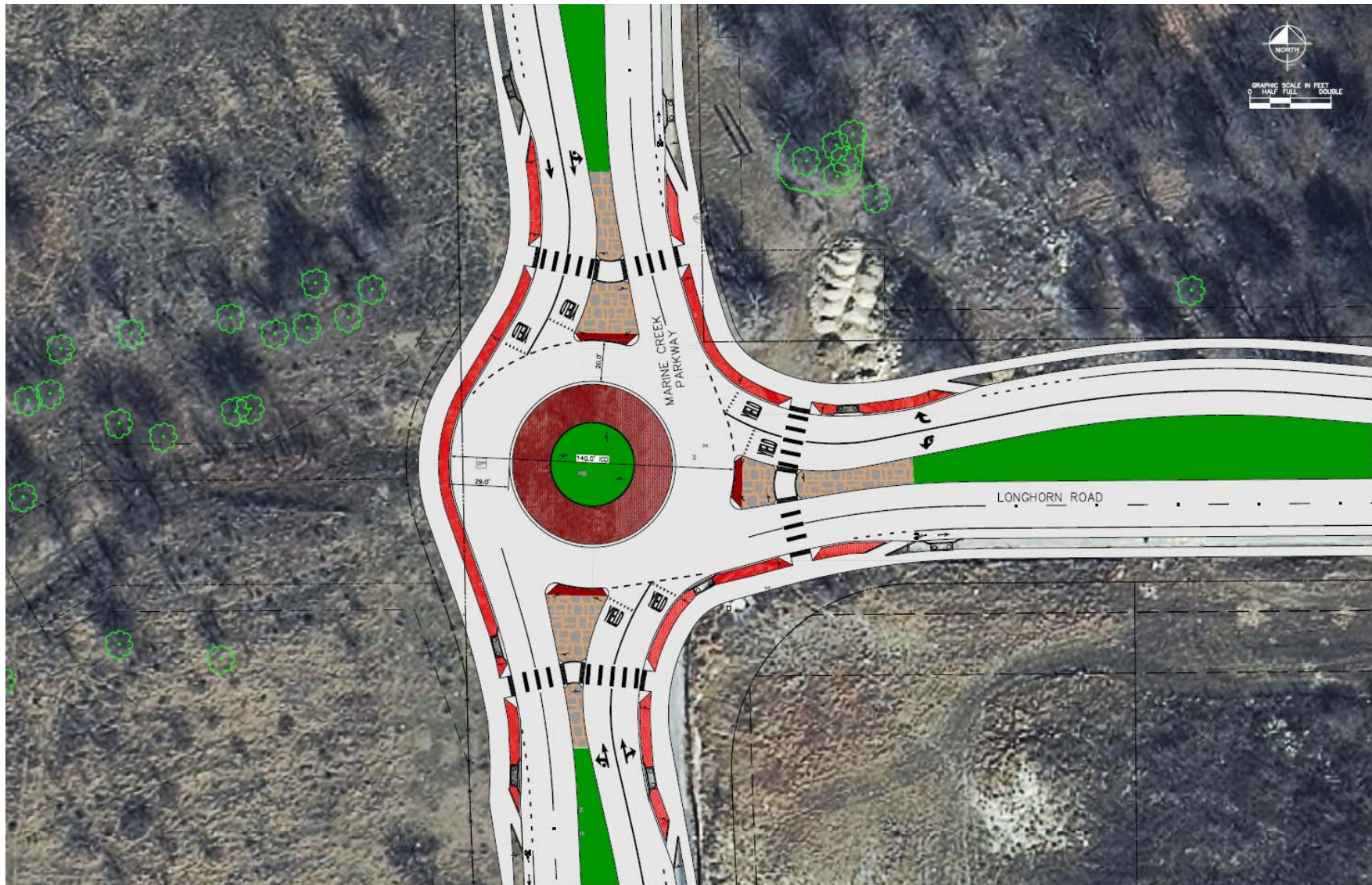
ICD = 175'

Circulating Lanes = 30'

Entry Lanes - 12' Lanes with Truck Gore

WB-50 Can Stay In-Lane





## Fort Worth N. Riverside Drive and Northern Cross BLVD

ICD = 140'

Circulating Lanes = 29' and 20'

WB-50 and Horse Trailers can Stay In-Lane



**3D Model – Oversized & Overweight Trucks**



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# Questions